

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 74963

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the application)
of WALKUP'S MERCHANTS EXPRESS,)
a corporation, for authorization)
to transport for compensation or)
hire over the public highways in)
the City and County of San)
Francisco certain commodities)
listed in the application)

Application No. 50577
(Filed September 27, 1968)

OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 73341 dated November 14, 1967, in Application No. 49691, Walkup's Merchants Express was authorized to transport newsprint paper, in rolls, for six paper companies within San Francisco at a rate lower than the established minimum rate but not less than 10 cents per 100 pounds, subject to a minimum of 25,000 tons per calendar year.¹ The authority, which also permits departure from the minimum rate provisions governing tailgate loading and unloading, is scheduled to expire with November 27, 1968.

By this application a one-year extension of the authority is sought. Applicant alleges that the facts and circumstances which justified the departure from the minimum rate

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The paper companies are Crown Zellerbach Corporation, Powell River-Alberni Sales Corporation, British Columbia Forest Products, Ltd., West Tacoma Newsprint Company, Publishers Paper Company and San Francisco Newspaper Publishing Co.

remain unchanged. Based upon its experience in the past year, applicant avers that the currently authorized rate is compensatory.

Revenue and expense data submitted by applicant indicate that the transportation involved has been profitable and reasonably may be expected to be profitable for the ensuing year.

The certificate of service shows that copies of the verified application were mailed to the California Trucking Association and to the Draymen's Association of San Francisco, Inc., on September 27, 1968. The application was listed on the Commission's Daily Calendar of October 1, 1968. No objection to the granting of the application has been received.

In the circumstances, it appears, and the Commission finds, that applicant's proposal is reasonable. A public hearing is not necessary. The Commission concludes that the application should be granted.

In view of the impending expiration date of the current authority, the order which follows will be made effective November 27, 1968.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Walkup's Merchants Express, a corporation, is authorized to transport newsprint paper, within the City of San Francisco, at a rate less than the minimum rate but not less than the rate set forth in Appendix A, and to the extent specifically provided therein, which appendix is attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

2. The authority granted herein shall, on and after November 27, 1968, supersede the authority granted by Decision No. 73341 and shall expire with November 27, 1969.

The effective date of this order shall be November 27, 1968.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 19th day of November, 1968.

William Symons Jr.
President
William L. Bennett
Augusta
J. P. Morrissey
Commissioners

Commissioner Peter E. Mitchell, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

APPENDIX A TO DECISION NO. 74963

WALKUP'S MERCHANT EXPRESS
(within San Francisco)

Newsprint Paper, in rolls, transported for Crown Zellerbach Corporation, Powell River- Alberni Sales Corporation, British Columbia Forest Products, Ltd., West Tacoma Newsprint Company and Publishers Paper Company to the San Francisco Newspaper Publishing Co., in aggregate quantities of not less than 25,000 tons per calendar year; and any such newsprint paper, in rolls, transported from storage for the San Francisco Newspaper Publishing Co. after having had a prior haul for any of said shippers.

(1) \$.10 per 100 pounds.

Except as otherwise provided herein, rates and charges named in this appendix are subject to the rules and regulations provided in Minimum Rate Tariff 19 (Appendix A of Decision No. 41363, as amended, in Case No. 4084).

(1) Not subject to the provisions of Item No. 60 of said Minimum Rate Tariff 19 with respect to tailgate loading and tailgate unloading.

(End of Appendix A)